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In re Patent of

Green et al.

Application No. 10/693,598 : DECISION

Filed: October 23, 2003 : ON PETITION

Title of Invention:
METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR
LOADING RADIOACTIVE SEEDS INTO
BRACHYTHERAPY NEEDLES

This is a decision on the Renewed Petition Under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed January 6, 2006. The delay in treating this petition is regretted.

The petition is granted.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely and properly reply to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, mailed January 24, 2005. The Office action set a three (3) month period for reply. No extensions of time having been obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a), this application became abandoned on March 25, 2005. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on July 8, 2005.

Petitioner filed a petition to revive the application and the issue fee on August 5, 2005, which was dismissed in a Decision mailed November 15, 2005. The Decision dismissing the petition required a statement in accordance with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

With the instant petition, Applicant has demonstrated that the petition filed August 5, 2005, was executed by a proper party in interest.

However, a review of the instant renewed petition reveals that it has not been executed by a proper party to the application. While the 3.73(b) Statement demonstrates that the assignee is empowered to act in this application, there is no record of a Power of Attorney appointing Lucc, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps, or Nicolas Pisano to act in this application. If Petitioner desires to receive further correspondence with respect to this application, a Power of Attorney and Change of Correspondence Address must be filed. A courtesy copy of this Decision is being forwarded to Petitioner at the address appearing on the petition; however, all future correspondence will be sent to address of record until instructions to the contrary are received.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3232.

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